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METHOD FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING

SPOOLS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1-6, 9-12, 14-19, and 21-23, the period for reply having been extended through March 2, 2009 (February 28, 2009 being a Saturday), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.